

**Federal Block Grant Allocation Plan**  
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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT/SMALL CITIES COMPONENT  
FFY 09 ALLOCATION PLAN

Lead State Agency: Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD)

Program Objective: The primary objective of this program is the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income.

Types of CDBG Funds: The federal government awards Community Development Block Grant funds

- (1) directly to large cities on an entitlement basis, and
- (2) indirectly to small cities through state administered CDBG programs.

Direct entitlement grants to Connecticut's largest communities are listed on the last page of this handout.

Small cities are instead eligible to apply for funding through Connecticut's Department of Economic and Community Development.

Funding: The Allocation Plan was developed based upon an assumption that the FFY 09 Small Cities CDBG award to Connecticut would be equivalent to the FFY 08 award (\$13,330,342). Subsequent to the development of the plan, Connecticut's final 2009 CDBG award was announced at \$13,532,318.

Administrative Allowance: The State may use \$100,000 plus up to 2 percent of its CDBG allocation for costs it incurs in carrying out its CDBG administrative responsibilities, provided each CDBG dollar over the \$100,000 is matched with a dollar from the State's own resources. The State may use up to 1 percent of its grant to provide technical assistance to local governments and nonprofit organizations, either directly or through contractors, to assist them in carrying out community development activities.

Note: There are no allocation changes proposed in the FFY 09 plan.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT  
FFY 2009 ALLOCATION PLAN DETAIL

	SFY 07 Actual Funds Committed	SFY 08 Actual Funds Committed	SFY 09 Estimated	SFY 10 Proposed	Percent Change (10 vs. 09)	Dollar Change (10 vs. 09)
<u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u>						
Small Cities Community Development Block Grant	13,645,095	13,730,987	13,330,342	13,330,342	0.0%	0
Plus Prior Year Carry Forward [1]	<u>1,584,793</u>	<u>398,039</u>	<u>372,096</u>	<u>258,528</u>	-30.5%	<u>(113,568)</u>
=Total Available	15,229,888	14,129,026	13,702,438	13,588,870	-0.8%	(113,568)
<u>LESS:</u>						
Committed Funds for Projects	14,616,000	13,245,000				
Anticipated to Be Committed [2]	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12,944,000</u>	<u>13,088,960</u>	1.1%	<u>144,960</u>
=Total Committed Funds	14,616,000	13,245,000	12,944,000	13,088,960	1.1%	144,960
Administrative Expenses	<u>509,353</u>	<u>511,930</u>	<u>499,910</u>	<u>499,910</u>	0.0%	<u>0</u>
=Uncommitted Balance to Be Carried Forward into Next Year	104,535	372,096	258,528	0	-100.0%	(258,528)

[1] Includes funding returned to DECD from grantees.

[2] See page 17 of allocation plan for listing of SFY 08 funded pending projects.

# PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION EXPENDITURES

	SFY 08 Actual Expenditures	SFY 09 Estimated Expenditures	SFY 10 Proposed	Percent Change (10 vs. 09)	Dollar Change (10 vs. 09)
<u>EXPENSES</u>					
Personnel Cost	545,895	524,380	550,599	5.0%	26,219
Fringe Benefits	302,596	313,673	319,347	1.8%	5,674
Other Expenses	36,940	41,055	43,108	5.0%	2,053
Equipment	0	250	263	5.2%	13
Contracts/Personal Services Agreements	200,000	10,000	10,500	5.0%	500
Total Expenses	1,085,431	889,358	923,817	3.9%	34,459
<u>AVAILABLE FUNDS</u>					
CDBG Administrative Allocation [2]	374,620	366,607	366,607	0.0%	0
Prior Year Carry Forward/CDBG Administration Allowance	1,112,679	639,178	516,337	-19.2%	-122,841
State General Fund	100,000	266,607	266,607	0.0%	0
Technical Assistance	137,310	133,303	133,303	0.0%	0
Total Available Funds	1,724,609	1,405,695	1,282,854	-8.7%	-122,841
Carry Forward into Next Year [1]	639,178	516,337	359,037	-30.5%	-157,300

[1] These funds may only be carried forward for administrative expenses.

[2] Includes funding for technical assistance.

## DIRECT FEDERAL AWARDS TO CONNECTICUT CITIES

Funding is provided under the Community Development Block Grant/Entitlement Program to cities in Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) that are designated as central cities. Other cities having populations over 50,000 in MSAs and qualified urban counties having populations of at least 200,000 are eligible to receive CDBG entitlement grants according to formula.

Selected communities in Connecticut will receive a total of \$28,008,160 in FFY 2009 direct funding, or \$501,043 (1.8%) more than the FFY 2008 amount. Eligible cities and their respective allocations are:

### CDBG Entitlement Grants

	FFY 2005	FFY 2006	FFY 2007	FFY 2008	FFY 2009
Bridgeport	\$3,735,210	\$3,355,705	\$3,364,575	\$3,252,959	\$3,313,695
Bristol	677,941	614,678	614,644	601,472	620,748
Danbury	715,318	643,350	641,999	619,682	627,187
East Hartford	710,527	647,584	652,669	635,687	650,158
Fairfield	585,614	544,120	548,397	532,839	550,334
Greenwich	1,054,272	950,559	953,507	924,997	945,440
Hamden	570,489	519,669	529,039	521,563	538,475
Hartford	4,409,509	3,949,463	3,944,378	3,786,824	3,829,557
Manchester	736,382	668,192	672,203	652,236	664,655
Meriden	1,033,134	932,415	926,981	899,877	919,771
Middletown	458,989	417,094	417,490	407,345	415,207
Milford	601,126	538,830	538,408	520,965	528,605
New Britain	2,140,918	1,922,825	1,926,216	1,860,498	1,885,199
New Haven	4,224,529	3,789,585	3,781,021	3,646,793	3,692,352
New London	1,021,954	915,348	914,872	882,750	892,660
Norwalk	1,052,671	954,206	959,586	935,102	966,933
Norwich	1,145,252	1,024,389	1,024,147	990,974	1,003,051
Stamford	1,235,403	1,126,691	1,139,353	1,120,066	1,160,102
Stratford	754,692	682,316	689,244	672,544	692,216
Waterbury	2,563,185	2,306,582	2,315,008	2,241,978	2,276,927
West Hartford	1,234,582	1,115,814	1,117,178	1,083,452	1,102,902
West Haven	805,730	730,218	736,083	716,514	731,986
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$31,467,427</b>	<b>\$28,349,633</b>	<b>\$28,406,998</b>	<b>\$27,507,117</b>	<b>\$28,008,160</b>

**Please Note:** The amounts shown on this page are determined (by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development) according to an established formula. These figures are presented for informational purposes only. They cannot be modified by the committees at today's meeting.